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SUBJECT: ROK EMBASSY REQUEST FOR PL 480 RESUMPTION

1. ROK EMBASSY ECON MIN CHUNG, CHOON TAIK PRESENTED AIDE MEMOIRE TO DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SNEIDER JANUARY 18. DOCUMENT ASSERTED INTERGOVERNMENT COMMODITY AGREEMENT OF 1971 PROVIDED FOR COMMODITY ASSISTANCE FOR FIVE YEARS THROUGH 1976. TO SUPPLEMENT NORMAL PL 480, ADDITIONAL COMMODITIES ATTRIBUTED TO RICE AGREEMENT, TEXTILE INCREMENT, AND MAP TRANSFER OFFSET. THE ROKG REGARDS THE LATTER TWO AS COMMITMENTS OR UNDERSTANDINGS WHICH SHOULD BE HONORED AS LONG AS THESE AGREEMENTS ARE IN EFFECT.

2. SNEIDER REMINDED CHUNG THAT ALL COMMODITY SUPPLY AGREEMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITIES AND THE LACK OF SURPLUS PRODUCTION IS THE ONLY REASON WE ARE UNABLE TO
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SUPPLY KOREA -- AND OTHER COUNTRIES -- WITH PL 480

COMMODITIES.

3. CHUNG SAID HE AWARE THAT FULFILLMENT SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITIES BUT ROK FISCAL NEED IS SO COMPELLING THAT ROKG HOPED FOR SOME DEGREE OF RELAXATION. SNEIDER ASSURED CHUNG THAT CONSIDERATION WAS IMPOSSIBLE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS WE AGAIN PRODUCE MORE THAN THE MARKET DEMANDS. ALTHOUGH WE WILL BE RE-EXAMINING THE SITUATION AFTER EACH HARVEST, THERE IS NO PROSPECT OF IMPROVEMENT PRIOR TO THE FALL

HARVEST.

4. SNEIDER TOLD CHUNG THAT A.I.D. IS INCLUDING A REQUEST FOR SOME \$150 MILLION PL 480 IN ITS FY 75 PLANNING FIGURE BUT STRESSED THAT IT ONLY A PLANNING FIGURE AND SHOULD NOT BE RELIED UPON FOR ROKG BUDGETARY PURPOSES. THE PLANNING FIGURE WILL BE SUBJECT TO CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORIZATION/ APPROPRIATION ACTIONS, SUPPLY/PRICE FLUCTUATIONS, OTHER NEEDS IN VIETNAM AND ELSEWHERE, ETC. KISSINGER

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